

APR 11 2016

Edwards,Michelle

**From:** Brandon Halleck [bhalleck@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 10, 2016 9:57 PM  
**To:** Azar, George; DeBaun, Curtis; Garrison, Neil; Morris, Don; Auler, Amy; Elliott, Earl; Nasser, Karrum; Nation, Todd; Crossen, Martha; Edwards, Michelle  
**Cc:** Bennett, Duke A  
**Subject:** Special Ordinance No. 05-2016

CITY CLERK

City Council Members -

I'm writing to oppose the ordinance that would allow the development of apartments on the 15 acres located between Poplar St. and Ohio Blvd. I'm a resident of the Eastside - living at 3505 Poplar Street. The proposed apartments would be located just a block away from my residence and would adversely affect the value of our property. The charm and appeal of moving to this area did not include 300+ rooms of apartments located a stones throw from our house. There are many locations throughout Vigo County that are appropriate for further apartment development - but not the 15 acres located between Ohio Blvd and Poplar Street. We love Terre Haute, and are committed to its development, growth, and success - we've even purchased (and enhanced!) a building downtown to house our dance studio at 13th and Wabash. Terre Haute deserves, and perhaps needs further progress and more taxing capabilities, but this isn't the course to take.

Building these apartments will:

- drastically increase traffic in the neighborhood - which is already hectic at peak times throughout the day
- reduce the appeal of Deming Park - the crown jewel of the Terre Haute Parks Department
- will leave uncertainty of management/control/upkeep/etc of the apartments - at times, these apartments are sold to out-of-town buyers who do not care about the neighborhood.
- lower the value of property that is just now beginning to increase after years of decline.

We fully support the development of single family residence, in accordance with Harrison Township's comprehensive plan, that will continue neighborhood conservation. However, we implore you to vote NO to special ordinance No. 05-2016.

As a side note...there were comments made to the media questioning the validity of 600+ signatures on this petition - my wife and I both signed the petition. I would urge the city council to take this petition seriously, unlike Darren Maher did. His comments were extremely disheartening and, frankly, infuriating.

Please feel free to contact me at this email, or by cell phone for further discussion.

Many thanks for your service to our community...we know the job you have isn't easy. Thank you for hearing our concerns.

Our best,

Brandon & Mallory Halleck  
812.241.6262